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- 1. EMBASSY SHOULD DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGES FROM PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR EASTERN MEDITER-RANEAN, CLARK CLIFFORD, TO FOREIGN MINISTER PAPALIGOURAS (PARA 2) AND FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER BITSIOS (PARA 3). SIGNED ORIGINALS HAVE BEEN POUCHED.
- 2. FOR PAPALIGOURAS. BEGIN TEXT. EXCELLENCY: YOU HAVE MY VERY BEST WISHES AS YOU ASSUME YOUR NEW RESPONSIBILITIES AS FOREIGN MINISTER OF GREECE. OUR DINNER CONVERSATION LAST FEBRUARY AT AMBASSADOR KUBISCH'S RESIDENCE IS STIL FRESH IN MY MEMORY, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO RENEWING OUR ASSOCIATION AT AN EARLY DATE. WITH BEST PERSONAL REGARDS. SINCERELY, CLARK M. CLIFFORD. END TEXT.

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3. BEGIN TEXT FOR BITSIOS. EXCELLENCY: I WAS INDEED SORRY TO LEARN THAT YOU ARE LEAVING THE POST OF FOREIGN MINISTER OF GREECE. I HAVE THE MOST PLEASANT MEMORIES OF THE EXCELLENT LUNCHEON YOU WERE SO KIND TO ARRANGE IN ATHENS LAST FEBRUARY, THE MEETING INVOLVING PRIME MINISTER CARAMANLIS AND PRESIDENT CARTER IN LONDON IN MAY, AND THE FRUITFUL DISCUSSION WE HAD IN NEW YORK EARLIER THIS FALL.

PARA 2. YOUR FRANKNESS AND CLARITY IN EXPRESSING YOUR GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS WERE ALWAYS MOST HELPFUL TO ME. YOU ALSO HAVE MY HEARTFELT GRATITUDE FOR ALL THAT YOU DID TO HELP US ADVANCE OUR MUTUAL GOAL OF A STRONGER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN GREECE AND THE UNITED STATES.

PARA 3. I TRUST THAT YOUR DEPARTURE FROM THE FOREIGN MINISTRY WILL NOT PRECLUDE AN EARLY RENEWAL OF OUR ASSOCIATION AND THUS I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN SOON. UNTIL THAT TIME, MAY I EXPRESS MY VERY BEST WISHES FOR THE FUTURE AND MY HIGHEST PERSONAL REGARDS. SINCERELY, CLARK M. CLIFFORD. END TEXT. VANCE

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